

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 302

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Reverend L. David Punch on the occasion of his 10th anniversary as pastor of the Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Houston; and

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Punch became the eighth pastor of this historic church in 2002, after having served as coordinator of ministry and associate pastor at Trinity Missionary Baptist Church; he is a third-generation minister who followed in the footsteps of his grandfather, the late Reverend Jonas E. Punch, and his father, Reverend James E. Punch; and

**WHEREAS**, Under his exceptional leadership, the Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church has continued to grow and to play a vital role in the life of the Third Ward community; inspirational and dedicated to helping others, this beloved pastor has ministered faithfully to the temporal and spiritual needs of his congregation; and

**WHEREAS**, Reverend Punch has also served the community at large in a number of ways, notably through his work on providing affordable housing for seniors; he is president and chief executive officer of Re-Ward Third Ward, Incorporated; and

**WHEREAS**, A man of spiritual depth and devotion, Pastor Punch has had a profound influence on the lives of countless people; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 83rd Legislature, hereby commend Reverend L. David Punch for his achievements as pastor of the Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Houston and extend to him best wishes for continued success in all his endeavors; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the  
above Resolution was adopted by  
the Senate on February 25, 2013.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate